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## **BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION**

**Docket No: CFPB-2014-0018**

### **Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Bureau) is proposing a new generic information collection plan titled, “CFPB Generic Information Collection Plan for Studies of Consumers Using Controlled Trials in Field and Economic Laboratory Settings.”

**DATES:** Written comments are encouraged and must be received on or before **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS DOCUMENT IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]** to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by the title of the information collection, OMB Control Number (see below), and docket number (see above), by any of the following methods:

- Electronic: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Attention: PRA Office), 1700 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20552.
- Hand Delivery/Courier: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Attention: PRA Office),

1275 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002.

*Please note that comments submitted by fax or e-mail and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* In general, all comments received will be posted without change to regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. Sensitive personal information, such as account numbers or social security numbers, should not be included.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Documentation prepared in support of this information collection request is available at [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov) (this link active on the day following publication of this notice). Requests for additional information should be directed to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, (Attention: PRA Office), 1700 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20552, (202) 435-9575, or email: [PRA@cfpb.gov](mailto:PRA@cfpb.gov). *Please do not submit comments to this email box.*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title of Collection:* CFPB Generic Information Collection Plan for Studies of Consumers Using Controlled Trials in Field and Economic Laboratory Settings

*OMB Control Number:* 3170-XXXX.

*Type of Review:* Request for a new OMB Control Number.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Estimated Number of Annual Respondents:* 8,700.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 11,400.

*Abstract:* Under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, the Bureau is tasked with researching, analyzing, and reporting on topics relating to the Bureau's mission, including developments in markets for consumer financial products and services, consumer

awareness, and consumer behavior. The Bureau seeks to obtain approval for a generic information collection plan to collect data from purposive samples through controlled trials in field and economic laboratory settings. This research will be used for developmental and informative purposes in order to increase the Bureau's understanding of consumer credit markets and household financial decision-making.

**Request For Comments:** The Bureau issued a 60-day *Federal Register* notice on April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014, 79 FR 20865. Comments were solicited and continue to be invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) The accuracy of the Bureau's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methods and the assumptions used; (c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 28, 2014.

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